

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
745 SECOND STREET, LA SALLE, IL.
7:00 P.M., TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Edgcomb,
Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider

ABSENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that the minutes of the last regular council meeting held Tuesday, March 6, 2012 are accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

PETITIONS

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Schneider that the request from Debbie Pohar for a zoning change from Residential to Light Industrial for property at 422 E. U. S. Rt. 6 in LaSalle is referred to the Planning Commission for a recommendation. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Edgcomb and seconded by Alderman Ptak that Ameren Illinois requests to break ground at 2nd and Sterling Street to replace 2 poles in the alley north of 2nd Street and West of Sterling Street and to replace a pole in the alley at 127 Sterling Street are granted. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Herndon that 2012 Raffle Licenses are issued to: Central Illinois Alzheimer's Association, Cruisin LaSalle Committee and LaSalle VFW Post 4668. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Edgcomb that the request from George Green, on behalf of Cruisin LaSalle, for temporary closure of 2nd Street from Bucklin Avenue to Joliet Street on Saturday, September 15, 2012 from 10:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. for the annual Cruisin LaSalle car show is granted. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that the Building Inspectors' Report for February 2012 showing total value of construction of \$131,395.00

and total fees collected of \$2,027.00 is accepted and placed on file; each alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

STANDING COMMITTEES

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Grove announced that the March 13, 2012 scheduled council meeting will begin at 6:00 P.M. to allow for further discussion and potential action and related matters concerning the Master Plan for LaSalle Rotary Park and Prairie Park

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Edgcomb said he had received a request from a resident on 8th Street for a sign in front of his home specifying "Resident Only parking." Moved by Alderman Edgcomb and seconded by Alderman Schneider that the request be forwarded to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee for a recommendation. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried. Alderman Edgcomb said he will get the exact address to the Committee prior to the meeting.

Alderman Edgcomb said he has received complaints from residents about people from the News Tribune throwing advertising materials in plastic bags into their yards, and he asked that the City contact the News Tribune about the complaints.

Alderman Bacidore said he has received a request that the handicapped parking spot at 749 1st Street be removed. Therefore, moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Schneider that the request be referred to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee for study and a recommendation. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Edgcomb that a request to remove the handicapped parking street in front of the Knights of Columbus hall at 209 Gooding Street is referred to the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee for study and a recommendation. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

On Tuesday, March 13, 2012 the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee will meet at 5:30 P.M. The Finance Committee will meet at 5:45 P.M. and the Council will meet at 6:00 P.M. All meetings will be in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 745 2nd Street.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

COMMENTS

Fire Chief Andy Bacidore provided the aldermen with yearend numbers for the Ambulance Service. He said he is happy to report that the Ambulance Fund is in the black and they are doing very well after one year.

Alderman Lavieri reminded residents to vote yes on the electricity referendum that will be on the ballot on Election Day.

7:30 P.M. Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Demes that the council goes into executive session regarding pending and/or potential imminent litigation and related matters and collective bargaining negotiations with FOP, Fire Department Union and AFSCME and related matters.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Edgcomb, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider. NAY: None. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Regarding pending and/or potential imminent litigation and related matters and collective bargaining negotiations with FOP, Fire Department Union and AFSCME and related matters

8:45 P.M. Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Schneider that the Executive Session is adjourned and the council returns to the regular meeting.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Edgcomb, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider. NAY: None. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Moved by Alderman Ptak and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that bills submitted totaling \$364,654.72 (Payroll \$147,561.28; bills to be paid \$0 bills paid \$217,093.44) be accepted, paid and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Ptak, Edgcomb, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon, Schneider. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Grove asked for a straw vote from the alderman to see if they would be in favor of advertising in the LaSalle County Tourism Booklet. All of the Aldermen were in favor, and the item will be on the March 13th agenda for formal action.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Duncan that the meeting be adjourned. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

ADJOURNED 8:25 P. M.

Virginia Kochanowski Clerk